



**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**POINT-BASED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERACTING WITH ELECTRONIC PROGRAM GUIDE GRID**

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

OR

☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)

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as United States Application Number or PCT International

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10/065,075

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(if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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## PATENT ASSIGNMENT

**SUBMISSION TYPE:** NEW ASSIGNMENT**NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:** ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNOR'S INTEREST**CONVEYING PARTY DATA****Name:** Allport, David E.**Execution Date:** 09/09/2002**RECEIVING PARTY DATA****Name:** Research Investment Network, Inc.**Street Address:** 2355 Main Street, Suite 200**Internal Address:****City:** Irvine**State:** CALIFORNIA**Country:****Postal Code:** 92614

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**ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION AND PATENT**

WHEREAS, I, David E. Allport, residing at 3832 Ross Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303, have invented a certain new and useful Point-Based System and Method for Interacting with Electronic Program Guide Grid, for which I have made application for Letters Patent of the United States as fully set forth and described in the attached specification;

WHEREAS, Research Investment Network, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 2355 Main Street, Suite 200, Irvine, California 92614, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and the Letters Patent to be had therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known, that for good and valuable consideration, to me in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, said David E. Allport have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto said Research Investment Network, Inc. the whole right, title, and interest in and to said Point-Based System and Method for Interacting with Electronic Program Guide Grid and any and all improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application for patent, as fully set forth and described therein, and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other applications for Letters Patent derived from the aforesaid application which have been or shall be filed in the United States and in and to the United States Letters Patent to be issued thereon for the territory of the United States, and all corresponding foreign counterpart applications derived from the aforesaid United States patent application as prepared for and filed in any and all foreign countries, said whole right, title, and interest in and to said Point-Based System and Method for Interacting with Electronic Program Guide Grid being the same for said Research Investment Network, Inc.'s own use and for the use of its assigns, successors, and legal representatives to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this assignment and sale not been made.

And I, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and legal representatives hereby covenant to and with said assignee Research Investment Network Inc., its assigns, successors, and legal representatives, that I have full right to sell and assign the whole right, title, and interest in and to said invention and the Letters Patent to be had therefor and that the entire interest herein

conveyed is free from all prior assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other encumbrance whatsoever. And I also, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and legal representatives hereby further covenant to and with said assignee Research Investment Network, Inc., its assigns, successors, and legal representatives to fully cooperate therewith in the prosecution of the aforesaid application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and in any and all foreign jurisdictions, said cooperation extending to any U.S. or foreign divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue or any other application derived from the aforesaid application, and including the execution of additional declarations, assignments, and other formal documents as may be required in connection therewith.

And I do hereby authorize and request the United States Commissioner of Patents to issue Letters Patent to said Research Investment Network, Inc., as the assignee of my entire right and title therein.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day and month of 2002 as indicated below.

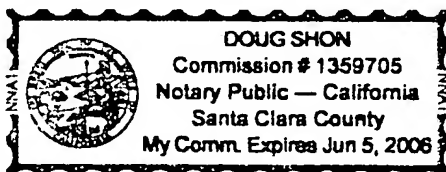
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Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 02 D.A.  
Date: Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 02

**Acknowledgment**State of CaCounty of Santa Clara ss

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of SEP, 2002, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared DAVID E. ALLPORT, personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his individual and authorized capacities, and that by his signature on this instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.



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